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To provide for a report by the National Academy of Sciences on underrepresentation of certain groups in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics fields.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 18, 2007

Mr. REYES introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Science and Technology

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. FINDING.**

4 The Congress finds that—

5 (1) according to the report entitled “Rising
6 Above the Gathering Storm: Energizing and Em-
7 ploying America for a Brighter Economic Future”
8 published by the Committee on Prospering in the
9 Global Economy of the 21st Century in 2005, the vi-

1 tality of the American economy provides the “foun-
2 dation of our high quality of life, our national secu-
3 rity, and our hope that our children and grand-
4 children will inherit ever-greater opportunities”, and
5 “vitality is derived in large part from the produc-
6 tivity of well-trained people and the steady stream of
7 scientific and technical innovations they produce”;
8 and

9 (2) it is a national strategic priority of the
10 United States to expand the pipeline of individuals
11 entering the science, technology, engineering, and
12 mathematics fields to support United States innova-
13 tion and competitiveness.

14 **SEC. 2. NATIONAL ACADEMY OF SCIENCES REPORT.**

15 The National Science Foundation shall enter into an
16 arrangement with the National Academy of Sciences for
17 a report, to be transmitted to the Congress not later than
18 1 year after the date of enactment of this Act, about what
19 effect increasing the number of members of underrep-
20 resented groups, like women and underrepresented minori-
21 ties, in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics
22 fields would have on achieving the priority described in
23 section 1(2), and to identify strategies for bringing more

- 1 women and underrepresented minorities into science, tech-
- 2 nology, engineering, and mathematics fields.

